

Appln. No.: 10/568,552  
Amendment dated February 5, 2009  
Reply to Notice of Allowance dated January 30, 2009

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Yasushi Mukai, et al.  
Application No. : 10/568,552  
Filed : February 17, 2006  
Title : CONSUMABLE ELECTRODE TYPE WELDING METHOD

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Examiner : Sang Yeop Paik

Customer No. : 52054  
Docket No. : NGB-39711

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**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Notice of Allowance dated January 30, 2009 (Paper No. 20090121). The three-month period for responding to the notice expires on April 30, 2009.

Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 2 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.